

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PADOVA

Technical guidelines for the assignment of further PhD scholarships admission to PhD courses, 41st series

(online application open till August 26th, 2025 at 1 pm CEST)

Online form available at: <https://pica.cineca.it/unipd/dottorati41luglio/>

1. The application form must only be submitted online. No hard copy of the application has to be sent by mail.
2. Before filling in the application form, please read carefully the selection announcement, in particular the chosen PhD course table IN ORDER TO VERIFY the eligibility criteria and THE DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED.
3. WATCH OUT: ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE UPLOADED IN PDF FORMAT AND, IN SOME CASES, THEY MUST BE PRINTED, SIGNED, AND UPLOADED. WE ADVISE APPLICANTS TO USE A PC CONNECTED WITH A PRINTER AND A SCANNER.
4. It is possible to fill in the application form by logging in at different times and saving the data. In order to access the application form that has been partly completed you must click on MODIFY to complete it.
5. Further information on the selection procedure can be requested by email at phd.application@unipd.it by contacting the addresses specified in the selection announcement. For technical problems click [here](#). Requests sent to other email addresses may not be read.
6. Applicants who want to apply for more than one PhD course must submit as many applications as the chosen courses.
7. Applicants with foreign qualifications that have not been legally recognized as equivalent to the Italian degree must read art. 3.3 of the selection announcement and upload the required documents in the relevant section of the online application.
8. Applicants with a disability or dyslexia may request special equipment and extra time to complete the admission examinations. Data will be treated in accordance with EU General Data Protection Regulation n. 679 dated 27.04.2016. The documents submitted will not appear in the application form for the selection announcement and will be held by the Students Services Office. These applicants, after filling in and submitting the application form, must go back to the dashboard and complete the relevant section by uploading the required documents.
9. AFTER THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN CORRECTLY FILLED IN AND SUBMITTED, APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL WITH THE CONFIRMATION OF THE SUBMISSION AND A PASSWORD THAT WILL ALLOW THEM TO CHECK THE FINAL RANKINGS.

DATA REGISTRATION

Go to the website <https://pica.cineca.it/unipd/dottorati41luglio/>

At the first access applicants need to register by clicking on 'Register' and complete the necessary data (fig.1,2).

Fig. 1 – Registration home page

The screenshot shows the 'PICA LOGIN' page in a web browser. The URL bar displays 'pica.cineca.it/en/login'. The page has a blue header with a 'Login' button. Below the header, there's a 'LOGIN' section with language options 'Italiano' and 'English'. A central box contains instructions: 'If you already own a loginmiur, reprise or referees account, use it by clicking "loginmiur, reprise or referees" in the menu "credentials". Otherwise, please register on this portal by using the link at the bottom of this page'. To the right, a box explains 'EN SPID' as a digital identity system. Below these, there are input fields for 'Credentials' (a dropdown menu showing 'PICA / REPRISE'), 'Username', and 'Password'. A 'Remember me' checkbox is present. A blue 'Log in' button is at the bottom. At the very bottom, two buttons are visible: 'New registration' (circled in red) and 'Forgot your credentials?'.

Fig. 2 – Registration data

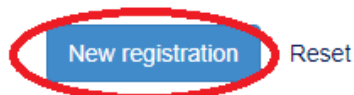
The screenshot shows the 'PICA REGISTER' page. The header features the logo 'Piattaforma Integrata Concorsi Atenei'. A 'Login' button is in the top right. The main section is titled 'REGISTER' with language options 'Italiano | English'. A light blue box contains the text 'Register on pica.cineca.it to submit your application.' Below this, the 'Credentials' section includes input fields for 'Username' and 'Email', and a 'Password' field. A note specifies: 'please to use the format FirstnameLastname' for the username and 'minimum length of 8 characters with at least one digit, the following characters are not allowed: | < > " ' ? + % =' for the password. A 'Confirm password' field is at the bottom.

After completing the data, click on 'New registration'. Applicants will receive an email with the data to confirm their registration (fig.3). In case you don't receive or cannot find the email, please ask for assistance by clicking [here](#).

Fig. 3 – Registration fields

Mobile

- ☐ By entering my email address above, I agree to receive technical information messages concerning the portal and the services available on it.
- ☐ I declare to be aware of the [notice](#) about personal data protection, provided by the competent authority, as stated in art. 13 of the UE regulation 2016/679



If applicants already have LOGINMIUR credentials, they do not need to register again. They must access with their LOGINMIUR username and password in the relevant field LOGINMIUR.

In case you forget username and password, click on 'Forgot your credentials?'

The online procedure for submitting the application form can be also accessed through SPID (Public Digital Identity System – more information here: <https://www.spid.gov.it/>), by choosing the University of Padova from the list of institutions available (fig. 4, 5, 6) and following the instructions of the provider selected. In case of access via SPID, no signature will be required when submitting the application.

Fig. 4 – Registration home page via SPID

The screenshot shows the 'PICA LOGIN' page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'PICA LOGIN' and a 'Login' button. Below the bar, there's a 'LOGIN' section with language options 'Italiano' and 'English'. The main content area has two columns. The left column contains instructions for existing users and a form with fields for 'Credentials' (a dropdown menu showing 'PICA / REPRISE'), 'Username', and 'Password'. There's also a 'Remember me' checkbox and a 'Log in' button. The right column contains text about the SPID system and a blue button labeled 'Enter with SPID o Credenziali Istituzionali', which is circled in red. At the bottom, there are links for 'New registration' and 'Forgot your credentials?'.

Fig. 5 – Registration home page via SPID – choose the institution

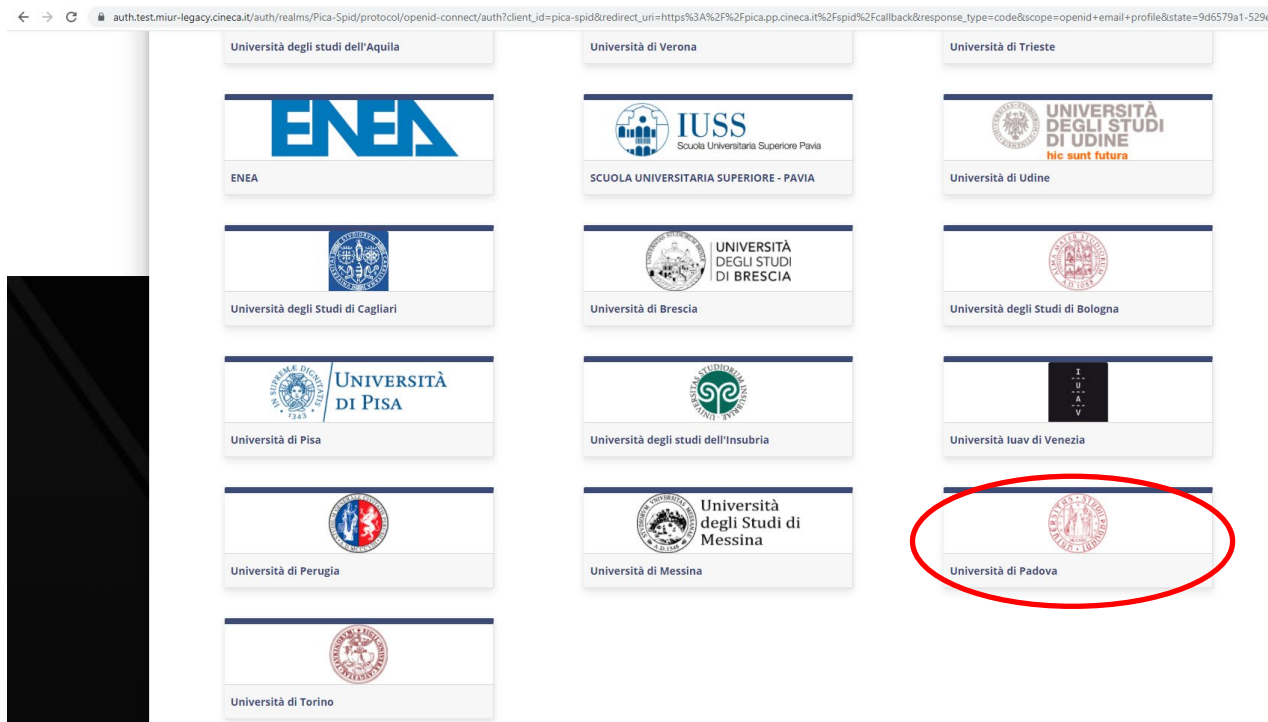
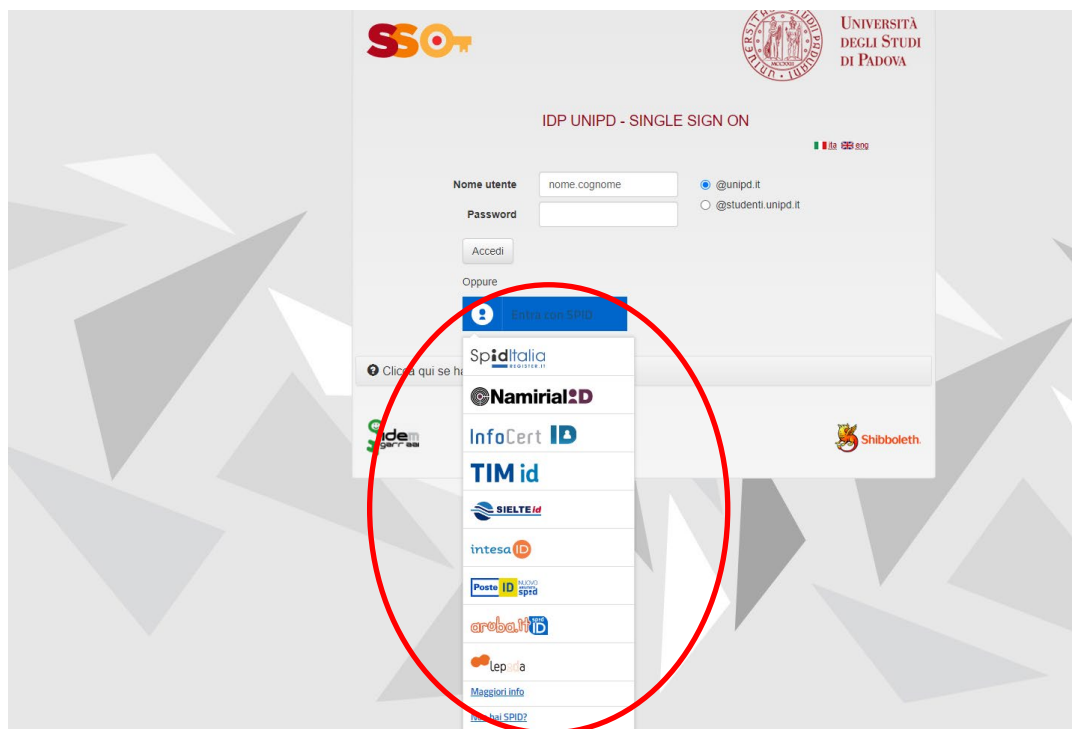


Fig. 6 – Registration home page via SPID – choose the provider



APPLICATION FORM ACCESS

Once registered, it is possible to access the website <https://pica.cineca.it/unipd/dottorati41/> and login with username and password to fill in the application form by clicking on 'New Submission'. Before filling in the application form applicants can modify their personal data by clicking on the top right button (User Profile) and choose what to modify (fig.7, 8).

Fig. 7 – New submission

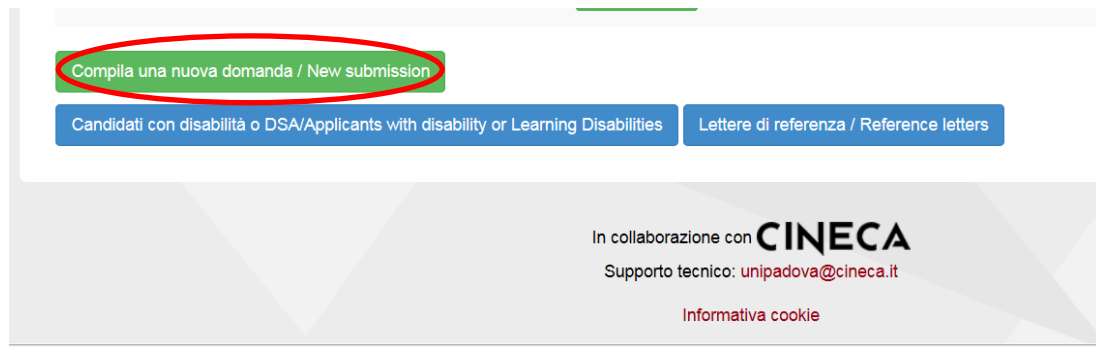
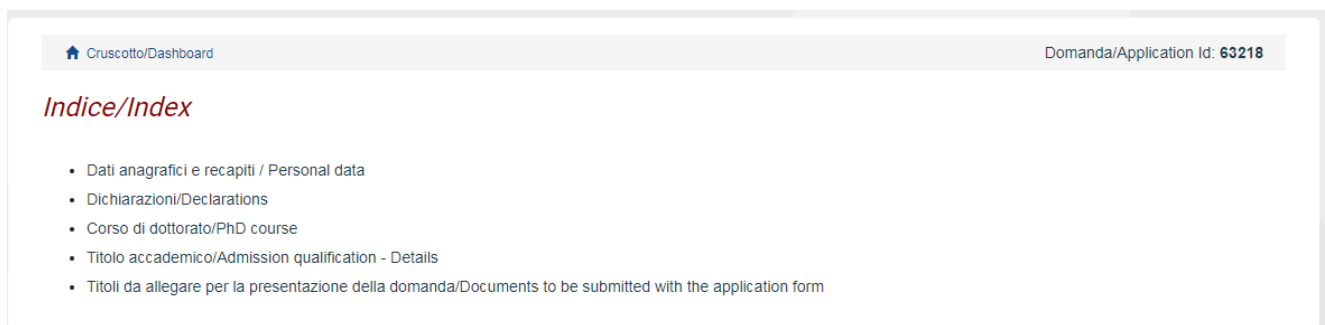


Fig. 8 – Application Sections

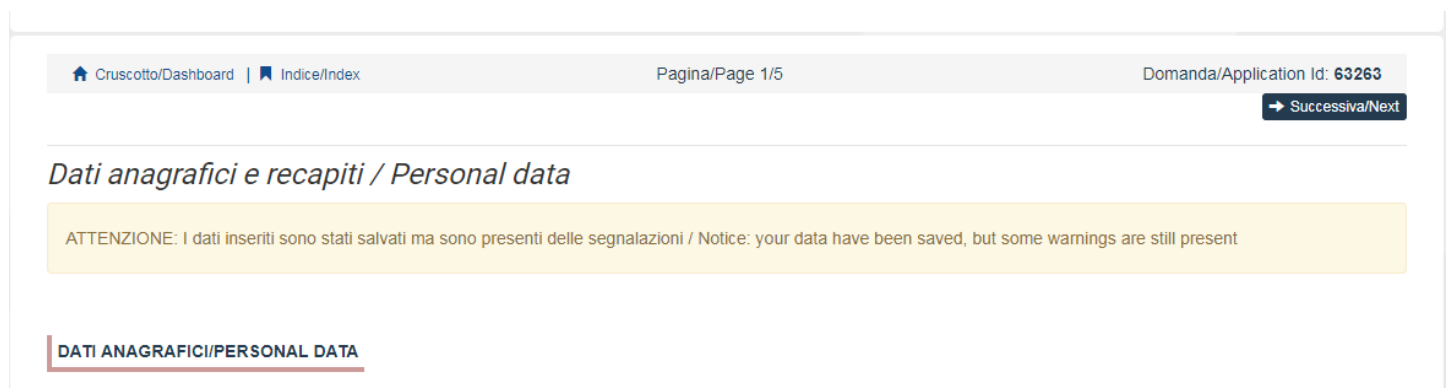


The first section is Personal Data. The data have partially been transferred from the registration procedure. There are some more data to be filled in (fig. 9). In case there are mistakes in the personal data applicants can modify them by clicking on the top right button (User Profile).

WATCH OUT: after filling in you always need to click on the button "SAVE AND PROCEED".

If the data have been correctly filled in you will directly go to the next section. Otherwise error messages will display and you will have to correct the data (fig. 9).

Fig. 9 – PERSONAL DATA SECTION



In the Section DECLARATIONS, you must read a list of declarations and upload an identity document (Identity card, Passport or Driving licence).

In the following section applicants must choose the PhD Course (fig. 10), the order of the curricula (if any), the places, and the scholarships with priority research topic (if any) they want to apply for.

Fig. 10 – PhD COURSE Section

The screenshot shows the 'Corso di dottorato/PhD course' section. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Cruscotto/Dashboard' and 'Indice/Index', the page number 'Pagina/Page 3/5', and the application ID 'Domanda/Application Id: 63218'. Below the navigation bar are buttons for 'Precedente/Previous' and 'Successiva/Next'. The main heading is 'Corso di dottorato/PhD course'. Underneath, there is a sub-heading 'CORSO DI DOTTORATO/PHD COURSE'. A label 'Corso / Phd Course' is followed by a dropdown menu with the text '-- selezionare un corso / select a course --'. At the bottom of this section is a button labeled 'Salva e prosegui / Save and proceed'.

In the following section (ADMISSION QUALIFICATION – RELEVANT OPTIONS) applicants must choose one out of the four options proposed (fig. 11).

Fig. 11 – ADMISSION QUALIFICATION – RELEVANT OPTIONS

The screenshot shows the 'Titolo accademico/Admission qualification - Details' section. It features a sub-heading 'TITOLI DI STUDIO/QUALIFICATIONS'. Below this, a label 'Tipo / Type' is followed by a table with four rows. The first row is highlighted in blue and contains the text 'Selezionare una tipologia / Select a type'. The subsequent three rows list the available options: 'Titolo di studio italiano - Laureato / Italian degree', 'Titolo di studio italiano - Laureando / Italian degree', 'Titolo di studio straniero - Laureato / Foreign degree', and 'Titolo di studio straniero - Laureando / Foreign degree'.

Tipo / Type
Selezionare una tipologia / Select a type
Titolo di studio italiano - Laureato / Italian degree
Titolo di studio italiano - Laureando / Italian degree
Titolo di studio straniero - Laureato / Foreign degree
Titolo di studio straniero - Laureando / Foreign degree

In the following section applicants must fill in the data of their admission qualification, either already awarded or to be awarded by October 31st, 2025 (fig. 12).

Fig. 12 – ADMISSION QUALIFICATION – DETAILS

[Crusotto/Dashboard](#) | [Indice/Index](#) Pagina/Page 4/5 Domanda/Application Id: 647641

[← Precedente/Previous](#) [→ Successiva/Next](#)

Titolo accademico/Admission qualification - Details

Titoli di studio / Academic qualifications

Tipo / Type

---- Selezionare una tipologia / Select a type

Tipo laurea / Second cycle degree (e.g. M.Sc. , M.Phil, etc)

Università / University

Titolo di Studio / Type of second cycle degree (e.g. M.Sc. in Economics)

Data effettiva o prevista di conseguimento titolo / Real or presumed graduation date

gg/mm/aaaa – dd/mm/yyyy

Voto / Grade

/ ☐ con lode / with honors

[← Precedente/Previous](#) [→ Successiva/Next](#)

In the section “DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION FORM” you must upload all the documents specified for the selection for each PhD course, with the exclusion of reference letters which must be submitted via a specific procedure (see par. 3). **Therefore we advise applicants to pay special attention to the documents to be submitted listed in the PhD course table in order to upload them all correctly.**

WATCH OUT: In this section you must upload the documents requested for the recognition of the foreign academic degree (art. 3.3 of the selection announcement - Admission of applicants with foreign (non-Italian) qualifications).

The files must be in pdf format and readable. For each file a brief description is needed (fig. 13).

Fig. 13 – DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION FORM

The screenshot shows a web interface for uploading documents. At the top, there are two radio buttons: 'Cerca in LoginMiur/Search into LoginMiur' (selected) and 'Inserisci manualmente/Insert manually'. Below them is a search input field with the placeholder 'Cerca/Search'. To the right is a red button labeled 'Cancella / Delete'. Below the search area is a green button labeled 'Aggiungi / Add'. A red-bordered box contains the heading 'TITOLI E DOCUMENTI/ ATTACHMENTS (PLEASE ATTACH HERE ALL THE DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT WITH YOUR APPLICATION FORM)'. Below this, there is a paragraph in Italian and English explaining the purpose of the section. Further down, there is a text area labeled 'Descrizione/Description' with a 'Carica/Upload' button below it.

☒ Cerca in LoginMiur/Search into LoginMiur
☐ Inserisci manualmente/Insert manually

Cancella / Delete

Aggiungi / Add

TITOLI E DOCUMENTI/ ATTACHMENTS (PLEASE ATTACH HERE ALL THE DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT WITH YOUR APPLICATION FORM)

In questa sezione vanno caricati i titoli richiesti per il corso di dottorato selezionato e che il candidato intende sottoporre alla valutazione della Commissione (Consultare la scheda del corso selezionato) / In this section you should upload the documents to submit for the chosen PhD Course and any further documents that the candidate thinks relevant for the committee evaluation (PLEASE check the relevant course table)

Attenzione*: inserire qui i documenti richiesti per il riconoscimento dell'eventuale titolo straniero, come previsto dall'avviso alla selezione Art. 3.3
Attention*: please attach here the documents useful for the evaluation of the foreign qualification as indicated in the Selection announcement at the Art.3.3

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Descrizione/Description

Carica/Upload

PAYMENT OF THE PRE-REGISTRATION CONTRIBUTION

After verifying the application form, applicants must go back to the dashboard and proceed with the payment of € 30,00 (fig.14)

Fig. 14 – Payment


The screenshot shows a dashboard with a row of application details. The details include the application number '67379', the status 'in bozza/draft', and the timestamp '2020-06-16 10:00:58'. To the right of these details are four buttons: 'Modifica/Edit' (blue), 'Verifica/Verify' (orange), 'Pagamento/Payment' (blue with a credit card icon), and 'Firma e Presenta/Sign and Submit' (green). A red arrow points to the 'Pagamento/Payment' button.

67379 in bozza/draft 2020-06-16 10:00:58

Modifica/Edit Verifica/Verify Pagamento/Payment Firma e Presenta/Sign and Submit

On the next page click on the button “Paga tramite PagoPA” and then “Accetta” (fig. 15.1 e 15.2)

Fig. 15.1 – PagoPA

 Pagamento online tramite pagoPA

Pagamento contributo ammissione ai
Corsi di Dottorato di ricerca XL ciclo /
Contribution payment for admission to
Phd Courses for XL cycle

Versante

Ragione sociale cognome e nome

Codice fiscale il sistema può averlo calcolato automaticamente

Indirizzo

Civico

CAP

Località

Provincia

Nazione

Telefono


Cellulare

FAX

Email

[Modifica versante](#)

Pagamento

 Da pagare entro il 13/05/2024 13:00:00.

Causale Pagamento contributo ammissione ai Corsi di Dottorato di ricerca XL ciclo / Contribution payment for admission to Phd Courses for XL cycle

Codice fiscale creditore 80006480281


Importo 30

Scadenza 13/05/2024 13:00

IUV (non assegnato)

[← Torna al cruscotto PICA](#) [Paga tramite pagoPA](#)

Fig. 15.2 – PagoPA

Attenzione! 

Grazie all'integrazione con la piattaforma pagoPA, puoi completare i tuoi pagamenti verso la Pubblica Amministrazione in modo semplice e immediato. Potrai inoltre scegliere il gestore della transazione (PSP) a te più conveniente.

Il PSP può applicare un **costo aggiuntivo**.

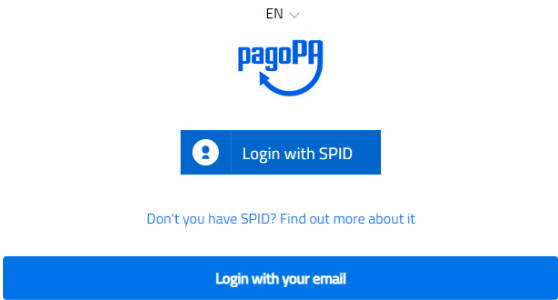
Premendo "Accetta", si procederà sulla piattaforma pagoPA e i dati del versante non saranno più modificabili!

Controllare attentamente la correttezza dei dati del versante!

[Annulla](#) [Accetta](#)

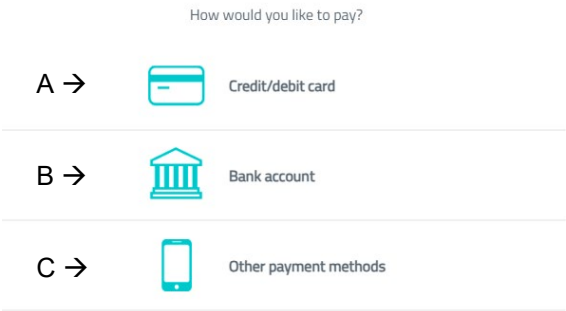
It is possible to pay through the “PagoPA”, it will be required an email address where you will receive the payment confirmation. Choose one of the TWO ways to enter the PagoPA portal (fig. 15).

Fig. 15 – PagoPa



Select one of the following payment options (fig. 16):

Figura 16 – Payment method




A. CREDIT/DEBIT CARD

If you choose this option, a list of authorised banking institutions will be displayed. Select any of the listed institutions and make the payment by entering the required details of your credit / debit card (pay attention to the conditions applied by the institution).

Once the payment procedure has been successfully completed, a confirmation email will be sent to your email address.

pagoPA accetta queste carte di credito/debito



nome e cognome

nome e cognome non validi, non ci devono essere caratteri speciali

0000 0000 0000 0000

numero della carta di credito

MM / AA

scadenza (mm/aa)

CVC

codice di verifica

Continua

B. BANK ACCOUNT

If you chose this option, the available PSPs (payment service providers) will be displayed. By selecting one of the PSPs you will be redirected to the web page of the chosen bank, which allows you to select the home-banking service provided by your bank.

pagoPA

Università degli Studi di Padova

Paga con il tuo conto corrente

cerca la tua banca

Ordina per: Alfabetico Tipo: Crescente

Banca Popolare di Sondrio

SCRIGNO Internet Banking

SCRIGNO

Commissione max 0,90 €

ICONTA

Pagamento diretto/Bonifico SCT

C. OTHER PAYMENT METHODS

pagoPA

Università degli Studi di Padova

cerca la tua banca

Ordina per: Alfabetico Tipo: Crescente

satispay

Satispay

Paga con satispay

Commissione max 0,00 €

ICONTA

Carte Pagamento

Commissione max 0,95 €

INTESA SANPAOLO

PostaPai

Once the payment has been made, it will be possible to download the relative receipt (fig. 17).

Figura 17 – Download receipt

Pagamento

Pagato il 02/07/2019 08:15:11.

Causale

Codice fiscale creditore

Importo

Scadenza

IUUV

[← Torna al cruscotto PICA](#) [Scarica "Quietanza di Pagamento" \(PDF\)](#)

SIGNATURE AND SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION

After filling in this section, applicants will be redirected to the dashboard where the draft of their application form is available. In order to submit it applicants must click on submit (fig. 18).

Fig. 18 – Submission of the application

167	in bozza/draft	2015-05-28 11:35:14	Modifica/Modify Verifica/Verify	Presenta/Submit
177	in bozza/draft	2015-05-28 12:47:44	Modifica/Modify Verifica/Verify	Presenta/Submit
195	da firmare/unsigned	2015-05-28 16:31:34	Modifica/Modify Visualizza/View	Presenta/Submit PDF domanda/Application PDF

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If the application has been filled in correctly, applicants will see the pdf file of the application. In case there are mistakes applicants would receive an error message and the application must be corrected. When the application has been corrected, applicants will be directed to the following section, where they must click on 'Submit' (fig. 19). In case of access via SPID, no signature will be required when submitting the application.

Fig. 19 – Submission of the application

1

Descrizione/Description

fghjkljkljdghnfgb bvjurstjhnxd gfhntg etgdhbnfd d teh

Dettagli sul file allegato/Attachment details

STATUTO_con_modifica_art46c9.pdf

Dimensione/Size (byte)

582816

Checksum

46794f3385d9631ae8d5bc367eb05caf9f1a91e8cade830ba9007ce0d90a5c04

Tipo di checksum/Checksum type

SHA256

Sostituisci/Change file

Scegli file Nessun file selezionato

Firma del candidato
Candidate's signature

Presenta/Submit

After the submission applicants will see three possibilities to sign the application. Choose one and follow the instructions (fig. 20).

Fig. 20 – Signature

FIRMA DIGITALE / DIGITAL SIGNATURE

Cruscotto/Dashboard Domanda/Application Id: 63262

Il sistema supporta le seguenti modalità / The following options are available:

Firma il documento manualmente / Sign the application (no digital signature)

Per firmare manualmente il documento è necessario scaricare il PDF del documento sul proprio computer, stamparlo, firmarlo manualmente, effettuare la scansione in un file PDF e caricare quest'ultimo sul sito. / If you can't sign the document digitally as specified in the other sections you need to download the pdf file of the application, print it, sign it in original, scan it in a pdf file and upload it again on the website.

ATTENZIONE: la scansione, oltre alle pagine della domanda, dovrà contenere nell'ultima pagina la copia di un documento di identità in corso di validità (questo passaggio non è necessario se la copia del documento di identità è stata inserita tra gli allegati alla domanda) / WATCH OUT: the copy of a valid identity document must be included as the last page of the scanned pdf, after the application form pages (this step can be dispensed with if a copy of the document was uploaded as an attachment of the application form)

Firma il documento sul server ConFirma / Sign the application on the server using ConFirma service

Per firmare digitalmente il documento è necessario avere una dotazione hardware (ad esempio smart card o dispositivo USB con certificato digitale di sottoscrizione rilasciato da un Certificatore accreditato) e software di firma digitale con cui generare, a partire dal file PDF del documento / In order to sign digitally the application it is necessary to have an hardware (e.g. smart card or USB with digital signature certificate issued by an approved certification body) compatible with ConFirma service. After signing, applicants can download the signed pdf application

Firma digitalmente il documento sul tuo personal computer / Sign the application digitally on your pc

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WATCH OUT: Applicants who, during registration selected **"NO"** in the **"Italian Citizenship"** field and did not indicate a **"tax code"**, will be only allowed to add their original signature to the application, i.e. they will only see the "no digital signature" option during the signature process.

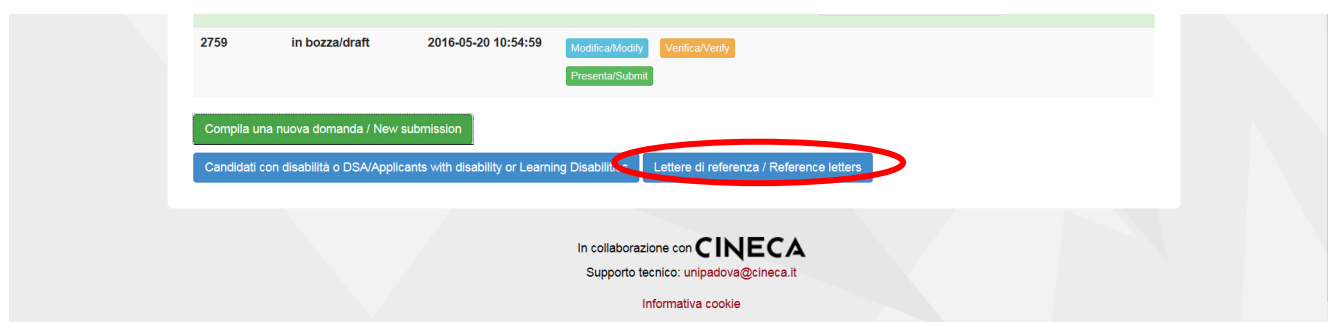
If you choose to sign with no digital signature **you must print the pdf application, sign it, scan it, and upload it. If applicants have not done so before, they must upload an identity document in the Personal Data section. We advise to check that the uploaded file is complete. Applicants can upload only one file, so if they must also upload the identity document, the application form and the identity document must be scanned together.**

After the submission, applicants will receive an email with the confirmation of the submission and a password that will allow them to check the final rankings. Applicants will always be able to login to their account, personal data and application form.

REFERENCE LETTERS

If applicants want to submit reference letters among the documents for the PhD course, after the submission of the application form they will find the button 'Reference letters' in the dashboard (fig 21). Applicant must click on it and fill in the relevant information in order to send to the chosen referees the request for the letter. Applicants must specify the institutional email address of the referee, not a personal email address.

Fig. 21 – Reference letters



The referee specified will receive the request to fill in the reference letter and can submit it by August 29th, 2025 at 1 pm CEST. We advise applicants to inform referees that they will receive the request. If the referee fills in and submits the letter, the applicant will receive an email specifying that the letter has been submitted. Applicants, however, can always check the status of the request. Reference letters uploaded by applicants will not be taken into consideration.

If applicants wish to change the referee they must ask for technical assistance by clicking [here](#), specifying the ID of the application.

APPLICATION FORM MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL

If applicants need to modify the application form after the pdf has been created:

- if they have submitted the application form and received the email of confirmation, they cannot modify the application form but they will be able to withdraw it following the relevant procedure available on the dashboard and submit a new application form;
- if they have created the pdf file but they have not completed the submission (the pdf file has not been uploaded yet and so they haven't received the email of confirmation), then they must contact for technical assistance by clicking [here](#) and ask to have the application re-opened. In the email they must specify the reason of their request and the ID of their application form, and attach copy of their identity document.